GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
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AIR SERVICES FROM BILASPUR AND JAGDALPUR
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal for introduction of air services from Bilaspur, Jagdalpur and Raipur is under consideration of the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

- MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION(SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a),(b) and (c):- At present, no scheduled operator including private scheduled operator is operating any air service to/from Bilaspur and Jagdalpur.

However, at present following scheduled air services are available to/from Raipur.

Name	Sector	flights/week
Indian Airlines	Mumbai-Raipur-Bhubaneshwar-Mumbai Delhi-Raipur-Nagpur-Delhi.	Daily 3
Alliance Air	Delhi-Raipur-Vizag-Chennai & Return	4
Jet Airways	Mumbai-Raipur-Mumbai	Daily

Government has laid down Route Dispersal Guidelines with a view to achieve better regulation of air transport services taking into account the need for air transport services of different regions of the country. It is, however, up to the airlines to provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability. As such, the airlines are free to operate anywhere in the country subject to compliance of Route Dispersal Guidelines issued by the Government.